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TAGS: CASC (MC NAMARA, JOHN)
SUBJ: W/W: MEDIVAC REQUEST FOR JOHN MCNAMARA

REF: STATE 109590 AND PREVIOUS

1. EMBASSY IN REGULAR AND FREQUENT CONTACT WITH MCNAMARA AND HISSISTER, MRS, ROYSTON, AND WITH ATTENDING PHYSICIAN AND HOSPITAL AND HAVE BEEN SINCE MCNAMARA TAKEN ILL IN FARO ABOUT SIX WEEKS AGO. THERE IS NO URGENCY FOR MCNAMARA TO RETURN US FOR TREATMENT, BUT HE IS RESTLESS AT BEING IN STRANGE SURROUNDINGS FOR SO LONG.

2. OWING TO HIS CONDITION, COMMERCIAL AIRLINES HAVE REFUSED TO CARRY HIM, AND THERE ARE NO CONVENIENT SHIP SCHEDULES FROM LISBON. PREVIOUS INQUIRIES INTO AIR AMBULANCE EVACUATION TO US HAVE PROVEN TOO EXPENSIVE, ABOUT \$50,000. WE SUSPECT FAMILY WOULD FIND USAF EVACUATION TOO EXPENSIVE ALSO. HAVE THEY BEEN TOLD OF COST? WE WILL DISCUSS THIS POSSIBILITY WITH MRS. ROYSTON MONDAY.

3. FAMILY NOW CONSIDERING USING AIR AMBULANCE TO CARRY MCNAMARA TO LONDON FOR RETURN ON QUEEN ELIZABETH II. EMBASSY ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN ASSISTING WITH THESE PLANS, AND WILL CONTINUE TO ASSIST.
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